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§16–201.5. IN EFFECT

// EFFECTIVE UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2022 PER CHAPTERS 29 AND 31 OF
2021 SPECIAL SESSION //

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) “Provider” means a provider of nursing home services.

(3) “Rate” means the reimbursement rate paid by the Department to providers of nursing home services from the General Fund of the State, Maryland Medical Assistance Program funds, other State or federal funds, or a combination of these funds.

(b) (1) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Governor include additional funding in the budget of up to \$5,500,000 in fiscal year 2021 and \$22,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 in the budget to cover the cost of COVID–19 testing of nursing home staff and residents during calendar year 2021.

(2) The additional funding provided under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be in addition to any other provider rate increases included in the budget for fiscal years 2021 and 2022.

(3) Any funding provided in accordance with paragraph (1) of this subsection shall consist only of federal funding allocated to the State under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act and any other federal legislation enacted in calendar years 2020 through 2022 to provide funding required under this subsection.

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